

# SENATE BILL 656

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By: **Senator Lenett**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Energy Performance Ratings – State, County, and Municipal Buildings**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring, beginning on a certain date, the governing body of a  
4 county or a municipal corporation to post a certain Energy Star rating for  
5 certain county or municipal buildings in a certain area of the buildings;  
6 beginning on certain dates, requiring the Department of General Services to  
7 post a certain Energy Star rating for certain State buildings in a certain area of  
8 the buildings; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the energy  
9 performance of State, county, and municipal buildings.

10 BY adding to

11 Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions  
12 Section 1–111  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

15 BY adding to

16 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
17 Section 4–808.1  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2009 Replacement Volume)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

22 **Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions**

23 **1–111.**

24 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE**  
25 **MEANINGS INDICATED.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(2) “BUILDING” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 4–808.1(A) OF**  
2 **THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

3           **(3) “ENERGY STAR RATING” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN §**  
4 **4–808.1(A) OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

5           **(B) BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2011, THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY**  
6 **OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SHALL POST THE ENERGY STAR RATING OF EACH**  
7 **BUILDING OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION**  
8 **IN AN AREA OF THE BUILDING THAT IS OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC.**

9                           **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

10 **4–808.1.**

11           **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE**  
12 **MEANINGS INDICATED.**

13           **(2) “BUILDING” MEANS ANY ENCLOSED STRUCTURE THAT**  
14 **PROVIDES A METHOD OF CONTROLLING ENERGY USAGE WITHIN ITS INTERIOR.**

15           **(3) “ENERGY STAR RATING” MEANS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE**  
16 **RATING OF A BUILDING AS DETERMINED BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL**  
17 **PROTECTION AGENCY’S ENERGY STAR PORTFOLIO MANAGER RATING**  
18 **SYSTEM.**

19           **(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE ENERGY STAR RATING OF**  
20 **EACH BUILDING OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE STATE IN AN AREA OF THE**  
21 **BUILDING THAT IS OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC BEGINNING:**

22           **(1) OCTOBER 1, 2010, FOR BUILDINGS WITH AN ENCLOSED SPACE**  
23 **OF 100,000 SQUARE FEET OR MORE; AND**

24           **(2) OCTOBER 1, 2011, FOR BUILDINGS WITH AN ENCLOSED SPACE**  
25 **OF LESS THAN 100,000 SQUARE FEET.**

26           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 October 1, 2010.